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DECLARATION BY INVENTOR UNDER RULE 131

- I, Rob Sullivan, do hereby declare as follows.
- 1. I am one of the coinventors of U.S. application number 09/751,322. I understand that the U.S. filing date was December 29, 2000.
- 2. We had invented and reduced to practice the invention disclosed and claimed in this application at least as early as December 26, 2000. As evidence of this, we attach a letter sent from our patent attorneys to us, enclosing a draft of the patent application for our review. The dates on this draft which are erased herein are, each at least as early as December 26, 2000. Moreover, while the entire draft is not attached, the draft was an operative description of the subject matter disclosed in the patent application.
- 3. I hereby declare that all statements made herein of my own knowledge are true and that all statements made

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Respectfully submitted,

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Attached find the completed draft application for this case. As per our usual agreement, the attached package includes the following:

(4) our draft application,

in that order.

The draft application only has been sent to the inventor(s) on this date without the above items (1)-(3).

RENACTE

I look forward to the results of the Intel Quality review process.

Best regards.

truly yours,

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Enclosures

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BACKGROUND

GSM originally stood for Groupe Spécial Mobile, a

European study group formed in 1982 to study and develop
criteria for a pan-European mobile telephone system. GSM
is currently recognized as an acronym for Global System for
Mobile communications, and represents the criteria
developed—as a result of the work of the Groupe Spécial

Mobile. In general, GSM represents a set of mobile
telephone standards and specifications. Equipment that
meets GSM standards in one GSM network is compatible with
any GSM network. GSM networks now exist worldwide.

DESCRIPTION OF DRAWINGS

Figure 1 is a diagram of a communications network.

Figure 2 is a diagram of a communications network including an anonymizer.

Figure 3 is a conceptual diagram depicting the flow of data, and goods or services in an electronic transaction involving an anonymizer.

Figure 4 is a diagram of an anonymizer.

Figure 5 is a flowchart illustrating techniques for providing anonymizer service.

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ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

Techniques are disclosed for protecting privacy of parties to electronic transactions, such as transactions conducted through a GSM network. An anonymity service provider receives orders directed from its subscriber to a recipient for goods or services, along with information about its subscriber. The anonymity service provider relays the order to the recipient but withholds information about the subscriber, as the subscriber directs. The recipient receives payment for the good or service by way of a voucher from the anonymity service provider.

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